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PINK BOLL WORM MENACE.

Stamford, Texas, Dec. 23, 1921.
To all Officers, Secretaries, Unit Directors, et al:
Gentlemen:

We desire to call your attention to the danger of cotton seed being imported into your community having seed perhaps from regions in Texas infested with the pink boll worm. We are advised that some seed from these infested districts have already gone into parts of West Texas. Already numerous findings of the pink boll worm eggs have been discovered in seed from infested districts.

If any traces of the pink boll worm could be found in seed shipped to your county it would mean that you would be placed under a very rigid quarantine against shipping your cotton or cotton seed. It would also mean a material decline in land and real estate values. In fact it would be a real calamity. Let us consider this seriously and if you or your neighbors have received seed from

other parts of the state, see that they are treated with Carbon Bisulphide (high life) by placing the seed in a tight container such as a box or barrel and place a bottle of this liquid partially opened at or near the top of the seed, cover container as nearly air tight as possible and allow to remain at least a week. This is a very simple effective, and inexpensive precaution.

We would appreciate it if you would take this matter up with local newspaper and local parties.

Respectfully,

Porter A. Whaley,
Manager West Texas Chamber of Com

Senior Epworth League Program.

January, 1, 1922, 6:15 o'clock.

"Better Prayers."

Voluntary, Miss May.

Song No. 227.

Prayer.

Song, No. 242.

Scripture lesson, Matt 7:7-11, and

Luke 6:12-19.

The value of the quiet hour cov-

enant, Leader.

Sincerity, Earnestness, and Faith,

Theodore Yoder.

Work, and better listening, Ed-

wena Barnes.

A Chapter from "Thembo Nyama's

Land," Miss May.

Roll Call, Secretary.

Announcements.

Benediction.

Christian Church.

Bible school 9:45 a. m. A. J. Cody
Superintendent. Preaching at 11 a.
m. and 7 p. m. The home like church.
All welcome.

T. Vance, Minister

IN "MEMORIUM."

(From Tennyson.)

"Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and et him die,

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in the redress of all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out the false pride in place and
blood,
The civic slander and the spite,
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good;
Ring out the old shapes of foul dis-

ease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace;
Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Their Brother Died.

A. J. Towle and H. G. Towle, were
called to Nebraska, Dec. 23rd, on ac-
count of the death of their brother,
W. C. Towle. W. C. Towle, will be
remembered by many of the Snyder
people, as he spent the winter here
two years ago.

Death was caused by heart failure
and came as quite a shock to the
brothers.

They expect to be back to Snyder
by January 1st.

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HAS TONIC EFFECT

Christmas Day Pleasures Are of
Benefit to People.

Mental State Does Everybody Good
and Festivity Equals Prescrip-
tion of Physician.

CLOSE observers in the ranks of the medical profession have noted one very interesting fact concerning the Christmas season—that it generally has a good tonic effect upon their patients. In explanation of this the London Lancet says that since Christmas has come to be regarded as a time for good cheer, a universal feeling of contentment and happiness is engendered at this time of joyousness, routine is for a while relieved, a certain freshness is given to the daily round, differences of opinion are sunk, and a charitable spirit prevails. Is it, by the way, hoping for too much, asks the Lancet, that the season of good fellowship should leave some lasting effect upon the manners and methods of all?

It may not be easy to trace exactly why the sense of exhilaration and well-being comes with the advent of Christmas, for the psychological factors concerned are not simple. But the main point is that the mental state does everybody good, and the annual festivity is just as excellent an institution as the prescription of the physician which gives tone and vigor to the struggler in life's race. There is no need nowadays, thanks to the good sense of the people and the counsel of their medical advisers, to moralize about the evils of a stupid indulgence in food, alcohol and tobacco on a festive occasion such as the present. Practically everybody realizes the great physiological advantages of being wise on a merry occasion.

Many more persons than formerly feel where use ends and abuse begins and they act sensibly accordingly; and so far from it being a crime to make the season festive by enjoying, on a little extended scale perhaps, the creature comforts of life, some decided good is done to both the mental and physical health of the individual.

The festive season may, therefore, be welcomed, which brings cheer to thousands, which induces the generous and charitable to brace the mental and physical functions of the community at large, giving it the opportunity of relinquishing its business and worries for a time, to start again refreshed and ready for "the trivial round, the common task." The prescription "A Merry Christmas" is sound so long as the "signature" of good sense is observed.

OLD YULETIDE CAROLS

"Holy Night" Regarded as One of
Most Beautiful Songs.

"Draw Nigh, Immanuel," One of Old-
est Pieces and Far Ante-
dates Any Others.

THE ancient Christmas carol, "Holy Night" is German in its origin and is considered by many persons to be the most beautiful of all Christmas carols. It has sometimes been ascribed to Martin Luther, but the consensus of expert opinion is that it is much older than his time and is one of the oldest of German folk songs.

The carol "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen," is English in its origin and dates back to about the beginning of the Seventeenth century, although the author of the words and the composer of the music are unknown. The fine old melody sung to this poem possesses all the best qualifications of a sterling hymn tune and will probably last as long as the verses with which it is always associated.

The carol "Draw Nigh, Immanuel," is one of the oldest pieces of coherent music in existence, and both the words and music far antedate any of the others. The music is an old French melody, dated from the Thirteenth century, although, of course, it has been harmonized to conform with more modern standards.

There is a most curious but beautiful musical effect at the close of this carol. The words of "Draw Nigh, Immanuel," are about 100 years older than the music, being taken from the Mozarabic breviary of the Twelfth century, and it is generally believed that they were taken from the liturgy of the early Christians at Toledo, Spain, where the Mozarabic breviary was formulated.

Another carol, "The First Noel," has a traditional French melody and probably originated in Breton, although the exact origin of this fine old song is somewhat in doubt.

HOLLY MAY SOON BE EXTINCT

Popular Christmas Decoration Is
Growing Less Bountiful Each
Year, According to Reports.

Christmas holly, that merriest and most beloved of all growing bushes, is threatened with extinction, according to a warning sounded by lovers of a red Christmas. Once growing profusely in southern New Jersey and Maryland, it has been swept from those states by the ruthless cutters for the city markets, and must now be sought in the swamps of Virginia and North Carolina, where already the supply is growing less bountiful each year. The Gulf states have been

similarly shorn to make holiday for the large cities.

Within another generation, botanists say, holly will be as rare as mistletoe, which used to grow in abundance on the Atlantic seaboard, as far north as Maritime bay, but has now practically ceased to exist as a Christmas decoration. When will the American people learn that the bounty of their fields and woodlands is not limitless?

With sinking hearts nature lovers have long since recorded the disappearance of the delicate trailing arbutus, flower of the Pilgrim maidens, from all woods near large cities. The mountain laurel, which once swept the hills of June with pale pink drifts like naughty clouds running away from the sunset, has now retreated to the remote mountain sides.—New York Tribune.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Scurry County, Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of twenty days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Scurry county, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To all persons interested in the Estate of John T. Driskill, deceased, J. Monroe, has filed an application in the county Court, of Scurry County, on the 11th day of Dec., 1921, for the probate of the last will and testament of said John T. Driskill, deceased, filed with said application, and for letters testamentary of the Estate of John T. Driskill, deceased, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 8th day of January, 1922, at the Court House of said County, in Snyder, at which time all persons who are interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Snyder, Texas, this 12th day of December, 1921. 30

KATE COTTEN, Clerk,
County Court, Scurry County, Texas.

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We Thank You.

We want to thank all our friends who have remembered us with Christmas Greetings, cards, Callendars, etc. Though seemingly small it is nice to have such remembrances. Everybody receives them of course, and we are sure that we are expressing all our appreciation when we speak for ourselves.

In the busy humdrum of life's activities we too often forget about our friends and neighbors about us, and forget that little tokens of remembrances make for lasting friendship, and the Christmas season is the time when all hearts and minds are turned in that direction.

We wish for you all a very happy and prosperous New Year, that our hearts may be strangely warmed to each other and that Peace and Quietude may be our country's lot in 1922

CHRISTMAS TOKENS. OF LOVE.

WHEN any uncertainty exists let us give a token of love, or friendship, or human kindness, something that, while expressing these things will, at least, be harmless. Let it be something that does not last—something that never will know the indignity of the top shelf of the spare room closet!

A knock at a friend's door on Christmas morning and the clasp of a hand do this. A growing plant does it—but, most of all, then beside me, singing in the wilderness—the personal relation does it. Suppose a letter came on Christmas morning, to say—"you are perfectly dear to have sent me a spoon box," but "I want you to know that your patience, or courage, or tenderness, during this last year, will help me to live more bravely and courageously and lovingly this next year!" What a Christmas present the receipt of such a letter would be to any one of us! What a Christmas present for any one of us to send to the human heart that has given us courage for the burden and heat of the day!—Indianapolis News.

Her Christmas Dolly



Miss Elva Lemons who is attending the business college at Weatherford, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lemons.

Mrs. Byrd and son of Snyder, were guests Thursday of Mrs. Hattie Childress at Hotel Mart—Sweetwater American.

Marshall Higgins of Georgetown, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Georgia Winston, is here from Simmons College, Abilene.

From Justiceburg,
Justiceburg, Texas, Dec. 25, 1921
The Snyder Signal.

Snyder, Texas.

The Literary Society of Justiceburg, Friday night December 23, was well attended by all the community and said to have been a complete success. After the play was over, the Ladies Aid of the Baptist church entertained the crowd with a box supper in behalf of Buckner Orphans' Home, as their Christmas offering to the amount of \$60.50, of which they are very proud and thankful to all who took part.

Respectfully,

C. A. JONES.

P. D. Hudson of the Signal force, and family spent Christmas at Colorado.

Judge J. P. Stinson and family of Abilene are visiting the Judge's parents, Squire and Mrs. T. C. Stinson.

Miss Mary Isaacs, who is teaching at Hereford has been spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Isaacs.

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